

DAMAGES TO LARIMER

County Pays Undersheriff \$504 for Injuries on Poor Road.

The board of county commissioners today allowed the claim of Hugh Larimer, undersheriff, for \$504.50, for hospital and other incidental expenses growing out of his injury last summer when his automobile turned turtle on the Topeka avenue road just beyond the city limits. The arrangement was made in settlement for Larimer's suit recently filed asking for damages to the amount of \$5,000 above the expense of surgical treatment and hospital care. Larimer's accident occurred on a piece of road which he claimed was dangerous on account of the height and narrowness of the fill which had been made by the county in raising the grade of the highway. Since then the fill has been considerably widened.

While trying to avoid an oncoming vehicle at this point Larimer ran his car into the ditch at the roadside and was pinned under it. He sustained serious internal injuries which confined him to the hospital for a number of weeks.

The Day in Congress.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Senate met at noon. Miscellaneous bills were considered under the unanimous rule in the house. The foreign affairs committee heard the delegations supporting proposals to prohibit exports of war materials. Representative Gardner urged the military committee to act on his proposal for investigation of the national defenses.

French Order Cook Wagons.

Louisville, Ky., Jan. 4.—Work on eight thousand portable kitchen wagons for the French army was begun here today. The value of the order is placed at \$250,000. The French government specified that the wagons be ready in three months.

OF REAL INTEREST

Program of Board of Agriculture Meeting Is Out Today.

Three Days of Good Speeches and Conferences in Topeka.

SECRETARY HOUSTON COMING

Federal Officer to Speak on "American Agriculture."

Western Kansas a Topic of Considerable Importance.

The forty-fourth annual meeting of the Kansas state board of agriculture in Memorial hall, January 13-15, will be of unusual interest to judge from the program which is out of the press today. All sessions will be open to the public and it is hoped to have a large attendance of representative farmers and stock breeders present from all sections of the state.

A business session will be held at 9 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, January 13, but the formal opening of the meeting will take place at 7:30 Wednesday evening, when Henry F. Mason, justice of the supreme court, will deliver an address of welcome. R. L. Coffey, mayor of Topeka, will welcome the visitors in behalf of the capital city. The response will be made by George B. Ross of Sterling, president of the board. Henry J. Waters, president of the State Agricultural college, Manhattan, will deliver an illustrated address on "The Farmers of the Orient." He will tell of observations made in his recent sojourn in the Philippines.

Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock G. E. Thompson of the State Agricultural college will tell of "Methods and Crops for Western Kansas." J. Clyde Corbett of Valencia will discuss the question, "Why I Stay on the Farm." William Newlin of Hutchinson will read a paper on "The Cow—the Farm's Most Efficient Debt Payer."

Secretary Houston coming. The feature of the entire program will be an address at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon by D. F. Houston, secretary United States department of agriculture. His subject: "What the Department is Doing for American Agriculture." This will be followed by a paper on "The Rural Community Outlook" by the Rev. Charles A. Richard of Seneca.

The session Thursday evening will be opened with selections by the Washburn College Glee club.

Miss Jessie Field, secretary town and county department, Young Women's Christian Associations of America, New York, will speak on "The Country School That Teaches in Terms of Country Life."

Albert T. Reid, the well-known Topeka artist, will give an address on "Why Good Roads Pay," illustrated with stereoscopic and impromptu cartoons.

W. A. Cochel, of the State Agricultural college, will read a paper Friday morning, January 15, at 9:30 o'clock on "Will the Production of Beef in Kansas Be Increased?"

George E. Putnam, of the University of Kansas, Lawrence, will discuss the subject, "Farm Credit in Kansas." S. G. Trent, of Hiawatha, will read a paper on "How Shall We Increase the Yield of Our Corn?"

The election of officers will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. G. W. Hervey, of Omaha, Neb., will read a paper on "Some Suggestions on the Organization and Management of the Agricultural Fair."

The concluding session Friday evening will be opened with a selection by the Eastern Star orchestra. Mrs. Frank Montgomery, of Topeka, will speak on "The Kansas Melting Pot."

VETERINARIANS COMING

State Medical Association in Topeka Tomorrow for Annual Convention.

The eleventh annual meeting of the Kansas Veterinary Medical association will be held in the council chamber in the City hall, beginning tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock. Veterinarians from all parts of the state will be in attendance and the two day program will be filled with speakers who are authorities on the subjects they will handle.

The afternoon session will begin at 1:30 o'clock and there will be an evening session at 7:30 o'clock. Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock a closed session will be held at which there will be balloting on applications for membership and reports of committee. The Wednesday afternoon session will close the convention.

Of special interest to Topeka and Shawnee county people will be an address on the foot and mouth disease by Dr. D. M. Campbell, who has the distinction of being Topeka's first milk inspector. Since leaving Topeka Dr. Campbell has gained a place of foremost recognition in his profession and is now editor of the American Journal of Veterinary Medicine, which is the leading journal in its field. Dr. Campbell will speak Wednesday afternoon.

TRAGEDY OF WAR

French Sisters Kill Husbands to Save Country's Soldiers.

Germans They Had Married Were Spies and Traitors.

PLANNED TO POISON WINE

Then They Would Give It to Entire French Garrison.

But Wives Made Them Drink Their Own Concoctions.

Paris, Jan. 4.—How two little French girls poisoned the husbands they loved to save the life of an entire garrison on the night of July 29 has just been made known in Paris and it has created a tremendous sensation, as the story has a dramatic quality more tragic than anything Shakespeare ever wrote.

Rose and Marie Dupont, 18 year old twins, were born and reared at Volterrupt, a small village on the Lorraine frontier.

In 1912 they married two students of chemistry named Ulrich and Wilhelm, who loved them so much they became French citizens and bought a drug store in the town.

Both unions were most happy until July 30 of last year when the husbands received a letter from across the frontier. Immediately both became nervous and asked the two girls to go to their grandmother's home in Longwy until the war was cleared.

Return to Store.

Both went to Longwy but found that their grandmother was not there. They returned very late the next day to Volterrupt.

When they arrived at the drug store they found it closed. They peered through the closed shutters and saw their two husbands, to their great amazement, talking in quite a friendly manner to two Uhlans. They could not believe their eyes at first but they were horrified later at the conversation they heard.

A deep plot had been arranged by Ulrich and Wilhelm. They had stored a big dose of strychnine and during the night it was planned to drop it in wine casks reserved for the French garrison.

"Are you sure this dose is strong enough," asked one of the Uhlans.

"Why," answered Ulrich, "it is strong enough to kill all the garrison and its reserves."

With a low cry Rose shuddered and almost fainted. Both realized they had been deceived and that instead of being loved they were the wives of the worst scoundrels and even worse than that, traitors.

"We must act," said Marie, "to prevent this monstrous crime, even if we must commit one ourselves."

Poisoned Husbands.

Half an hour later they rang the front door bell and said they had heard that their husbands had been called and said they were glad that they wanted to open some wine in honor of peace and the friendly Uhlans soldiers.

Marie went out and brought back a champagne bottle. She poured the liquid and they drank it.

Next morning they ran out of the house. They were widows for they themselves had used the poison.

They went straight to the chief de gendarmes and told him of their sorry plight.

"We have killed our husbands," they cried. "Do what is right with us." But the official wept with them, for it was fatal that the plot had been averted and that the sacrifice of the girls which has no precedent had saved thousands of French troops from certain death.

Marie and Rose have been critically ill and for two months they were hovering between life and death and it was feared they would lose their reason, but they have recovered and are now Red Cross nurses. In caring for the wounded they are trying to forget their terrible life drama.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

David G. Lowry, who died December 4, was well known in Topeka. He was a resident here for twenty years. Mr. Lowry came here from Keokuk, Iowa, and because of his advanced age he never engaged in active business in this city. At the time of his death, which occurred in Wheeling, Mo., he was a member of the First Baptist church.

The funeral of Mrs. M. F. Rigby, who died Sunday afternoon, will be held from the residence, 719 Harrison street, Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Interment in Topeka cemetery.

William J. Mattern died Saturday night at a local hospital. He resided at 126 North Madison street. He was an old resident of Topeka and for many years was owner of the tombstone works just north of the Kaw river on Kansas avenue. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock from Penwell's chapel.

Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Dill, 69 years old, died Sunday afternoon at her home, 1314 Lane street. She is survived by her husband, John O. Dill, and four daughters, Mrs. O. V. Letto of Kansas City, Mrs. Harvey Hyppmann of Seneca, Mrs. Margaret Sadinger of Topeka and Miss Mary Dill of Topeka. The family came here from Enterprise eight years ago. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the residence, 1314 Clay street. Interment in Topeka cemetery.

Mrs. Margaret Hughes died Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Dewar of Madison, Kan. She was the mother of Mrs. George O. Boone and Miss Pearl Hughes of Topeka, and Mrs. Emma Westcott of Hot Springs, Ark. The funeral will be held at 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon from the Boone residence, 1543 Clay street. Interment in Topeka cemetery.

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah E. Ryan, wife of the late Thomas Ryan, will be held from the home of her sister, Mrs. James L. King of 506 Topeka avenue, Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Lola Lucile White, the 10 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred M. White of 118 Lincoln street, died this morning. The funeral will be held Tuesday afternoon at 1 o'clock from the First M. E. church. Dr. Benjamin Young will officiate. Interment in Mount Hope cemetery.

'PHONE MEN COME

Early Arrivals to Kansas Independent Convention Here.

Attendance of 300 for Wednesday and Thursday.

PROGRAM OF GOOD SPEAKERS

Well Known Statesmen Will Talk to "Hello" Delegates.

Commercial Club Smoker for Visitors on Last Day.

Members of the Kansas Independent Telephone association began to arrive in Topeka today for the annual meeting of the organization which will open at the National hotel assembly room Tuesday afternoon and will continue until Thursday noon. An attendance of at least 300 is expected.

There are approximately 650 independent telephone companies in Kansas and 90 per cent of those having more than 200 subscribers are members of the association and many of the smaller organizations.

Registration will begin in the lobby of the National hotel at 9 o'clock Tuesday morning. The meeting will be formally opened at 2 o'clock by J. Will Kelley, secretary of the Topeka Commercial club, who will deliver the address of welcome. The following comment relative to Secretary Kelley is made in the official program: "Smiling, genial 'Bill'—Irish by birth, Kansas by adoption, and 'for' Topeka all the time."

The response will be given by C. J. Myers, of Kansas City, formerly superintendent of the Kansas City Long Distance Telephone company.

Fred Coulson, the energetic secretary of the association, who is making a great success of his work, will present a report on the progress made in the last year.

E. H. Hogue, of Topeka, ex-secretary Kansas public utilities commission, will deliver an address at 3 o'clock on "The Kansas Public Utilities Act."

G. M. Stratton of Clay Center is doing a paper on "Collection of Harry Faris, the 'Telephone Encyclopedia of Kansas,' and J. H. Close will lead in a 'round table' and 'question box' discussion."

Tuesday night at 9:15 the visitors will be guests of the Topeka Commercial club at a local smoker.

Arthur Capper, governor-elect of Kansas, will deliver an address before

the phone men Wednesday morning at ten o'clock. This will be followed by a discussion of "The Financial Side of the Telephone Business" by J. C. Kelsey, financial editor of "Telephone," and a native Kansan. There will be a round table discussion, and after adjournment before the lunch hour a photograph will be taken.

Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock John M. Kinkel, member public utilities commission, will speak on "The Telephone." Samuel T. Howe, member Kansas state tax commission, will address the members on "Taxation." F. B. McKinnon, secretary of the National Independent Telephone association, and formerly secretary of the Kansas Independent Telephone association, will deliver an address. The session will close with a round table discussion.

The concluding feature of the convention will be a smoker by the Topeka Commercial club at the club quarters on the fifth floor of the Commercial building. The "Royal Order of Receivers" will be conferred upon the visitors.

Officers of the association: President, T. L. Youmans, Oawatomie; vice president, Samuel Tucker, Pleasanton; secretary-treasurer, Fred Coulson, Topeka. Executive committee: J. D. Waters, Bonner Springs; A. B. Clarke, Oskaloosa; C. L. Brown, Abilene; A. J. Stevens, Hiawatha; L. A. Walker, Parsons; C. A. Sloan, Pratt; G. A. Swallow, Meriden.

At the Iris.

Mary Pickford comes to the Iris today, making for a run of four days, ending Thursday night. This is pleasing news to dainty Mary's hosts of admirers in Topeka. She comes this time as "Cinderella." This tender story, which gives a screen immortality to a tale already inscribed on the hearts of all the children of all time, again proves that Mary Pickford is unrivaled in versatility and artistic charm as an interpreter of screen characterizations.

St. Joe to Sign Players.

St. Joe, Mo., Jan. 4.—John Holland, owner of the St. Joseph Western league baseball team, will mail out contracts for the approaching season tomorrow. He said today that practically all members of the 1914 team would be tendered contracts.

Poultry Rates Higher.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Rating of poultry in carloads by western railroads as third instead of fourth class freight, thus increasing the charges, was held today by the interstate commerce commission to be justified.

Fresh-air boy (to girl, afraid of cow in meadow)—"Aw! what are you scared of? She won't chase us. Don't you know that cows are vegetarians?"—Life.

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Women's Winter Coats**Dresses and Sweaters**

The reductions offer opportunities for very unusual savings on garments desirable in every way; great as the bargains have been, they are now greater, for some of the lots on which we are making the lowest prices will be replenished tomorrow from the lines higher up. You will find nothing to compare with them for values and styles, at these prices.

50 Coats up to \$18.75

will be priced tomorrow:

You never saw anything to equal this assortment for fine qualities, and the variety and attractiveness of the styles. Ordinarily, when coats of such value come down to the \$5 "clean-up" you might expect the variety to be limited; but we do very few things in the ordinary way, and this \$5.00 lot is an exception only in that it is more remarkable than usual for desirable styles, as well as exceptional qualities.

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The greatest savings are offered in these three groups that we have ever given on coats of the qualities included at these prices. The finest fabrics, the most beautiful, varied and desirable styles—from utility and motor coats, up through those for general service, to the more elaborate styles. Many are Wooltex coats—which defines the standard of high quality and beautiful style that you may expect throughout these lines. You will find the actual money savings to be as much as fifteen dollars on some of the \$10.00 coats, and on some now marked \$15.00 you can save as much as fifteen or even twenty dollars each.

Children's Fine Coats

are remarkably low priced—two lots on special sale tables on the Third Floor offering the choice of some of the best Wooltex and other equally good makes, at..... **\$2.98 and \$5.00**

Warm, Stylish Sweaters \$3.19

for women and girls—now.....

now you can buy finer sweaters for a lower price than at any time this season—for we have added some very fine ones to the already good values at \$3.19. This gives you good warm, well-knit all wool sweaters, many very heavy; others of average weight, reds, grays, white and some smart new novelty colors.

Higher-Priced Dresses Are \$7.50 and \$10

Good as the styles are, you have only \$7.50 to pay for good selections from dresses that were up to \$25.00; on this rack are some fine wool dresses, and many in messaline, crepe, and other desirable silks.

On the \$10.00 Rack are beautiful dresses of fine messaline, in the best dark colors—such as navy, brown, green and black—and some in fine serges—originally priced up to \$35. Certainly, from such an assortment of good styles any woman can choose all the extra frocks she needs for general wear the remainder of the season.

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**Odds and Ends Sales**

Begin Tomorrow Morning
Lovers of Bargains, Look!
BE HERE—



Odds and Ends
Men's Dress
Shirts, values up
to 75c. Choice—

25c

Odds and ends Ladies \$1.98
Rubber Surface Raincoats.
Tomorrow
at..... **50c**

Odds and ends Men's small
size Suits; sizes up to 36
only. Tomorrow
row..... **\$1.75**

Odds and ends
Boys' \$2.50 Norfolk
Suits. Tomorrow
row..... **\$1.00**



Odds and ends Men's Ken-
osha closed crotch Union
Suits—

Half Price

Odds and ends
Men's 50c Derby Ribbed
Underwear,
Tomorrow..... **29c**

Odds and ends, Boys' and
Girls Gauntlet
Gloves..... **12c**

Odds and ends
Girls' and Misses
\$2.00 Shoes—

50c

Odds and ends Men's \$3.50
Corduroy
Pants..... **\$1.50**



Odds and ends Men's
\$7 and \$5
Bath Robes

\$2.50

Odds and ends Men's White
Dress Vests, values up to
\$3.00. Tomorrow
row..... **39c**

Odds and ends Silk
4-in-Hands. Choice
the house

19c

Odds and ends Ladies' long
\$5.00 Craven-
ette Coats..... **\$1.00**

Odds and ends \$2 and \$2.50
Flannel Top
Shirts..... **69c**

The Bright Spot in Topeka
Tomorrow

David J. August
620 and 622 Kansas Ave.

IF BACKACHE OR KIDNEYS BOTHER

Eat less meat and take a glass of
Salts to flush out Kidneys—
Drink plenty water.

Uric acid in meat excites the kidneys, they become overworked; get sluggish, ache, and feel like lumps of lead. The urine becomes cloudy; the bladder is irritated, and you may be obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night. When the kidneys clog you must help them flush out the body's urinous waste or you will be a real sick person shortly. At first you feel a dull misery in the kidney region, you suffer from backache, sick headache, dizziness, stomach gets sour, tongue coated and you feel rheumatic twinges when the weather is bad.

Eat less meat, drink lots of water; also get from any pharmacist four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to cleanse clogged kidneys and stimulate them to normal activity, also to neutralize the acids in uric, so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder weakness.

Jad Salts is inexpensive, cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to keep the kidneys clean and active. Druggists here say they sell lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in overcoming kidney trouble while it is only trouble.—Adv.

Tomorrow

BUTTER
Country Rolls and
Prints, **30c**
per lb.....

APPLES
No. 2 Jonathans, crisp
and spicy,
peck..... **30c**

ORANGES
Large California Nav-
els, per
peck..... **35c**

SHAKER SALT
2 pkgs.
for..... **15c**

**PITTED RED
CHERRIES**
No. 2 cans "Farm
House", per
can..... **15c**

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at..... \$12.50

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